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Microsoft established the de facto standards for the software industry that caused the phenomenal growth and success that astounds the world and enriches our country. Microsoft is the goose that lays golden eggs. LET MICROSOFT ALONE!

Microsoft continually strives to improve the quality and value of its products. The people who complain about Microsoft's leadership are whiners who seek to rely on politics and lawyers instead of technical excellence and fair prices.

Most of the businesses that now oppose Microsoft would never have achieved their present status and success without the standardization established by Microsoft and its unrelenting pressure to improve software and explore new technology.

When our government tries to cripple a successful business, to punish technical innovation, to create chaos where there is order, to stifle legitimate competition, it is the beginning of the end of our prosperity!

Don't meddle with a miracle! Go and sin no more!

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